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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; and

I believe I am an original, first and [X] joint [] sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**FLUE GAS DESULFURIZATION PROCESS AND  
APPARATUS FOR REMOVING NITROGEN OXIDES**

described and claimed in

- [X] the attached specification, Attorney Docket No. MET-1014.  
[] the specification filed \_\_\_\_\_, as U.S. Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ and as amended \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims as filed and as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

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